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## Is Stamp Collecting Big Business; Facts Tell Complete Story

To the ordinary business man the possibility that the hobby of stamp collecting could be considered a big business is remote. To him a stamp collector is either a seedy looking but starry-eyed individual who goes into raptures at the discovery of a trunk in an attic untouched for fifty years, and which may contain some elusive rarity, or his office boy who lets no wastebasket go out the door until it has been carefully sifted for the small rectangular scraps of paper which carry the mail around the world.

However, the fact that these stamp collectors could buy an entire issue of United States stamps which was printed especially for them to the tune of \$360,000 within six weeks after the stamps were issued; that they could then work the value of the issue up to \$1,200,000 within three months; and that the value should then, within another three months, fall to \$630,000 where it stands today, all go to show that there is something which is no longer solely the delight of acquisitive children.

During the past several years the interest of capital in the stamp game has noticeably increased. Only last year two open markets for the buying and selling of stamps were organized. These exchanges publish weekly and semi-weekly bid and asked quotations on a multitude of stamp issues in much the same way as the big board down on Wall Street. These quotations serve as a more or less accurate guide to current price trends in the stamp market but they have not yet become well enough known to be able to serve as dictators on the going prices of specific issues. They do serve as a market place for speculators or investors buying and selling among themselves where the prospect of future profit is the motive for buying rather than the immediate profit needed by the dealer who plans to resell as soon as possible to the collector and who must expect sufficient margin to cover his overhead. This price determination still remains in the hands of the individual collector and dealer—the lack or presence of the “need to sell” of the former being pitted against the greed of the buyer in determining the price realized.

Whether or not stamps have reached a point where they may be considered an investment from the point of view of the man with funds to invest, but with no special interest in them as a hobby is open to question. That the number of collectors and dealers has grown tremendously in the past few years is well known. This universal interest has been reflected in the countless stamp columns which are appearing in newspapers throughout the country. These, coupled with the increased ad-

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## UNITED STATES STAMPS

A few interesting offers with more interesting prices. (Buy all stamps you need today, prices are rapidly going up, and have not hit the ceiling yet.)

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## Antanas Smetona Pictured On Lithuanian Stamps



This stamp, issued in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Independence of Lithuania, pictures Antanas Smetona who lost his life in a disastrous fire which destroyed his humble home in Cleveland, Ohio, on Sunday, January 9th.

## Encyclopedia Will Illustrate Stamps

Based upon a nationwide poll of collectors, the forthcoming edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica will reproduce twenty philatelic items with fame as rarities, oddities and beauties, and stamps with particular stories. One plate shows the 5-cent confederate of 1861, the 5 and 10-cent 1847's, a 2-cent Hawaiian Missionary, the “Penny Black” of Great Britain, the famed “One Penny Magenta” of British Guiana, rarest in philately, the “Bull’s Eye” of Brazil and a Cape of Good Hope triangle, a 24-cent air mail invert, the \$1 Trans-Mississippi stamp depicting “Cattle in Storm,” and the Swiss “Dove of Basel.”

Another plate shows the beautiful Queen Astrid (Belgium) memorial stamp, a Germany 50,000,000,000 mark inflation stamp, the Canadian “Bluenose” and the Guatemala sheet portraying President Roosevelt, an Indian Bhore State adhesive, a St. Louis “Bear” postmaster’s provisional, the 1d. Mauritius “Post Office,” a Newfoundland “Hawker,” New South Wales “Sydney View,” and Russian modern air mail.

—New York Sun.

## POLPEX 1944

The Polonus Philatelic Society announces that the site of POLPEX 1944 has been changed from the Falcon Hall, to the Polish Roman Catholic Union Archives and Museum, 984 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

The exhibition will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 25, 26, 27, 1944.

The auction manager is Roman Reinowski, 1939 S. Highland avenue, Berwyn, Ill.

The seal director is Adam Kłoskowski, 2708 N. Harding avenue, Chicago, Ill., 47.

## MAY MEAN NO MEAT

The publicity director of the North Hudson Philatelic Society of West New York, N. J. sends out an announcement of the new officers and communities of the society and states “The Annual Banquet will be held sometime in April, due to conditions beyond our control.” This may be a warning to the boys to bring a ham sandwich in their pockets.

We note also that the society is staging an exhibit in conjunction with the 4th War Loan Drive at the West New York Public Library. The exhibit will be on from January 18 to February 18.

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## A YEAR AHEAD OF TIME

Mr. G. M. Poley of Winston-Salem, N. C., sends an airmail cover which he had sent to his son at Stinson Field, Texas in which the cancellation date is Dec. 5, 1944. Just another one of those things where the P. O. Clerk got his dates mixed.

## Inaccurate Reporting On Stamp Plate Numbers

Practically all the papers we see, even including the leading New York newspapers which feature stamp columns, continue to make inaccurate reports as regards plate numbers on stamps issued by the Department at Washington.

Announcements as sent out at Washington are poorly worded in that they state, “Plate Numbers issued.” It is but natural that those who do not stop to think, will begin to search for such numbers, and there is always the possibility that come such listed, may never appear.

The meaning intended by Washington is that the numbers mentioned have been assigned to plates which are to be made or have just been made. Such plates may remain in the vaults for months before they are printed from and issued to postoffices.

We would suggest that stamp columnists watch this matter and report the facts as stamp collectors see them.

## Charles Frederick Mann

Services for Charles Frederick Mann, who retired a year ago as assistant treasurer of the Illinois Central railroad after 51 years of service as an employee, were held in Chicago on January 17th. Mr. Mann died in Augustana Hospital after a heart attack.

Mr. Mann was born in Chicago on July 11, 1872. At the age of seven he started to collect stamps, and as a widely known philatelist was interested in United States, British Colonies, and the stamps of Chile.

In 1904 he became a member of the Chicago Philatelic Society. He served as secretary during 1905 and 1906. In 1907 he was elected Treasurer holding that office throughout the years until July 1, 1943 when he resigned on account of his health. He was recently again elected a director for the 1944 term.

He had been vice president, and treasurer, of the American Philatelic Society, and in 1929 became President of that society.

His home was at 5803 No. Maplewood avenue, in Chicago. His widow, and a daughter survive.

—Willis E. Potter

## CLEVELAND'S BIGGEST CLUB

A member of the Cleveland Stamp Club at Cleveland, Ohio points out that we have neglected the biggest club in Cleveland which he claims has a 50 per cent greater attendance than any other Cleveland Club.

Meetings are at the Hollenden Hotel and the big annual meeting on January 29th and 30th is now all set to open and show Cleveland Collectors much of interest to attract their attendance. This event is also at the Hollenden, all collectors are welcome.

## Lithuanian President In Exile, Burned To Death In His Cleveland, Ohio, Home; Country's Stamp Issues Bear His Picture

Few of the small countries among the stamp issuing nations of the world, which came into being following the first world war offer to stamp collectors a more interesting and more colorful array of postage stamp issues than have come from Lithuania, one of the three small Baltic nations along the Baltic Sea Coast. Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania again in the world limelight are three countries which have intrigued stamp collectors and their stamp issues have been among the most interesting of any of the European nations.

Their rulers were obliged to flee their countries when the present war broke out and among those in exile was Antanas Smetona, first president of the recently created Republic of Lithuania.



## She Divorces Good Provider Because He Collects Stamps

Cleveland, January 27—Mrs. Marie Harris admitted in her divorce suit that her husband, Milton, took her on long trips, numerous cruises, bought her a mink coat and was a good provider.

“But,” she added, “as soon as we would arrive any place he would put me up in a hotel and then run out and talk to stamp collectors or look up new specimens for his collection.”

The judge awarded her \$50 a week alimony until she remarries.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART  
Baltimore, Ohio

## Revillo South Dakota.

Another of our small town excerpts, Mr. Dale V. Hallock is the supplier of information. The area in which Revillo is situated was settled in the late 70s. A town by the name of Oport was founded close to the site of Revillo but when the railroad came through in ‘84 Oport died and Revillo was born. Its name came from one of the early settlers “John Revillo” who owned much of the land thereabouts. Some were want to say the town was named after the first white child “Olliver” which would be Revillo in reverse. The former is probably the straight of the matter. John Revillo strange to say was supposed to be a Dane. Revillo is in Grant county and must be in the hill country according to Mr. Hallocks description. The population is around 300 but nevertheless it is a very active community as are many such western towns. The precancels in use now are the metal handstamp U-120 type and the P. M. has quite a time with it as very few copies can be read.

## Permits.

A word more about those printed permits. Found one the other day in a batch of stamps. It was one of the older ones with the SEC. 435½ instead of 562. Does any one collect these things?

## Canada's Economy Envelope

Without mentioning any names the Canadian Postoffice bulletin of January 15th, gives Linn's Weekly Stamp news several lines of favorable comment due to our publication in December 23, of complimentary remarks about the Economy Envelopes in use by the department.

Smetona has had a varied and colorful career and his portrait is shown on many of the stamps of his country. Chief among these is the issue of 1939 commemorating the 20th anniversary of independence of this little country. This stamp, a 30c value in deep green, has a companion, a 60c value in dark blue, and formed a set of four stamps with two others which pictured the reading of the act of Independence. This latter stamp might well be compared to our own 15c stamp of 1869 or to the more recent Constitution Sesquicentennial issue.

Even before his election as president of his country, Smetona was one of the leaders in its fight for freedom and is pictured together with other Lithuanian patriots on the issue of 1922. Again in 1928 and 1934 we find his portrait and also on the air mail stamps of 1930.

Antanas Smetona lost his life in a fire which destroyed the home in which he lived in Cleveland, Ohio, on Sunday January 9. Unlike many of the monarchs and rulers who fled their countries with well filled pockets, Smetona lived in a very modest third floor apartment in a house, in which two other families resided.

With him was his wife and two young children who escaped the disaster that befell him.

Perhaps some background history of this man will be of interest to our readers and through the courtesy of Art Lee of Cleveland we have clippings from the Cleveland Newspapers and reprint here with a brief story of his life as given in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Acted Against Nazis

Antanas Smetona fled Lithuania June 15, 1940, when the Russians annexed the little republic to the Soviet Union. In 1939 the Russians had demanded garrisons on Lithuanian soil. Under pressure from Britain and France Smetona granted these after there had been assurances there would be no occupation, his government maintained. The same was true in other Baltic states.

Russians asserted the Lithuanians had voted themselves into the Soviet Union in a plebiscite with 99 per cent of the ballots favorable. The plebiscite was not held until the Russian forces had been firmly established.

Smetona went to Germany with his family. Although his enemies spread the report that he had been received hospitably, the fact was that he was under constant Gestapo house arrest during the four months before he was able to obtain a visa to come to this country, associates said.

The Lithuanian president had been the first European statesman to act against the Nazis. Soon after Hitler rose to power the Nazis agitated to gain the port of Memel.

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BIG BUSINESS

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vertising of the dealers, who have also followed the stamp columns into the newspapers, not of course, without considerable urging on the part of the newspapers' advertising departments, have made nearly everyone who can read conscious of the fact that stamps are a tradeable commodity.

One of the main reasons for this universal appeal is the fact that anyone may enjoy the hobby of stamp collecting. A man may spend one dollar or a million and the man who spends the dollar will defy the millionaire to prove that, with all his stamps and expensive albums, he gets any more fun out of it than the other with his scrapbook and wastebasket gleanings. The number of collectors in the United States has been variously estimated at from two to nine million. At least 99 per cent of these must be wastebasket collectors if we can use the figures of organized philately as a guide. The four leading collector organizations show combined memberships of only 10,000, a good percentage of which is duplicated by ones

being a member of all four. The five weekly stamp papers and magazines have a combined circulation of about 100,000 of which fully 40 per cent is comprised of subscribers to two and sometimes three of these papers. In other words, there are not more than 60 or 70,000 collectors in this country who care enough about the hobby, or who have a dollar a year to spend on a stamp magazine. Furthermore, there are less than 10,000 of these who have or will spend the three to five dollars necessary to affiliate with a national organization. In fairness we should make allowance for the fact that many of the publications are read time and time again in libraries and clubs and that many who could subscribe prefer to spend that money on stamps. All in all a buying group of 500,000 may be considered as about the top figure.

This collector group is served by nearly 1,000 people who call themselves dealers which, in itself, is one of the paradoxes of the stamp business. A paradox because less than 300 of this number are consistent advertisers in the Philatelic press and of that number only 123 belong to the American Stamp Dealers Association which is the only dealers' organization in the country. This latter figure also approximates the number of full-time dealers while the remaining 800 odd have some other form of employment to supplement their income from stamps. But—to be or become a stamp dealer is one of the easiest things for a collector to do. He finds a few duplicates which he sells to other collectors at the local meeting and shortly considers himself among the dealers' ranks. Should necessity compel him to dispose of his own collection, he will start to advertise until, either his stock is exhausted or he has enough business sense to build up his small beginnings to an established success. One wholesale firm advertises in their catalogue to set anyone up in the business for the small sum of fifty dollars, payable in installments. As the catalogue itself is supposed to go only to established dealers, it is seen that the distinction between collector, collector-dealer and dealer is very vague. Naturally, such ease in entering the dealer field is conducive to a high mortality rate and this is born out by one stamp paper which has been listing, for collectors' attention, ten to fifteen new advertisers a week for the last five years although the actual increase in advertising lineage during the same period has been almost imperceptible. It is significant to note, however, that there have been but two bankruptcies and but few more cases of fraudulent dealing or failure among dealers all during the years of depression and recovery. In other words, while the rate of mortality is high, those who do fail are so small to start with they are able to fold up silently without causing much stir other than the irritation they cause established dealers while they are doing their advertising.

Their figures do not belittle the enthusiasm or sincerity of the great mass of collectors who cannot afford to buy stamps but they do bear weight for the possible buyer of stamps as an investment who is interested in the potential market for his material.

It might be wise to try to discover the cause for this interest. It was due mainly, we believe, to the depression. With the curtailment of funds due to wage cuts, thousands of people had to search around for less expensive forms of amusement and recreation than the theatre and travel of the boom years. Stamps seemed a natural outlet for spare time enjoyment at low cost and boyhood collections were dug out of attics in ever increasing num-

bers as the depression hit lower and lower levels. The election of a stamp collector as President served to strengthen the march, while his program of issuing large and attractive stamps to commemorate historical events of our early days made many new converts. The cause for increased collector activity also produced more dealers. During the depression many collectors who lost their jobs turned to their stamp collection as a start towards independence in the manner related above. Through inexperience many were forced to discontinue and return to other forms of employment. This, and recovery has served to reverse the trend to some extent.

Naturally this steady stream of new blood with many vacant spaces in their albums served to keep the stamp market on an even if not rising, keel all through the depression years. An example, which proves the exception rather than the rule, may be illustrated. The Zeppelin issue of United States stamps appeared in April 1930 with a face value of \$4.55. Soon after issue they reached a market value of \$11.00 a set. In late 1931 they reached \$18.00, then slumped off, in 1932, to a low of \$10.00 a set. This was changed quickly, and from then to date the price has risen steadily until a figure of \$42.00 holds today. This, we say, is the exception. While almost half the value of this comparatively expensive set was lost during the low water mark of the depression, the other lower-priced issues enjoyed a steady demand among the large group who never expected to buy the higher priced stamps anyway. The recession in price on these lower ranges was negligible and was followed by rapid advances as soon as the storms of depression were quelled.

There was little forced selling of stamps during this period. To the man who saw Radio tumble from 195 to four and who saw Steel sag like a rubber band while his stamps were being quoted at consistently respectable prices, these stamps looked like the one firm foundation in an otherwise crumbling world and he held on to them. This in itself had a buoying effect on all stamp holdings and provided a steady market for stamp dealers during a period of general business failure. That the return of comparative prosperity has resulted in many stamp collectors putting away their books while taking old-time vacations can be verified by any dealer who has been through the last Summer. This bears out our argument that the depression was the main contributing cause to the increased interest in stamps aside from the natural growth this hobby has experienced from the printing of the first stamp nearly one hundred years ago.

Nassau Street is the headquarters of the stamp trade and Nassau is just around the corner from Wall. Never overcautious, the boys from the big board looked at the externals, jumped to the conclusions, and started in to work around the corner where values did not fade overnight for no apparent reason. The results have been startling. Stamp issues began to be sold out almost before they were printed. Sales at the Philatelic Agency in Washington, which is a branch of the Post Office Department established in 1925 to cater exclusively to the wants of stamp collectors and dealers, boomed tremendously. From a figure just over \$100,000 a year in the 1927 to 30 period, sales have risen to nearly two million dollars a year for the past four years. Precipitous advances were coupled with equally precipitous declines in the true Wall street manner, similar to the change in value related in the second paragraph of this paper. The average collector, not knowing exactly what it was all about, has done his share. Not being satisfied, as formerly, with a block and single copy of each stamp, he has laid away a few sheets to guard against a rainy day, send his kids through college and keep the home fires burning in his old age. This practice of laying away a few sheets, coupled with the present administration's policy of issuing a constant supply of new stamps has worked an undeterminable but much discussed hardship on

the stamp dealers who have seen the millions collectors might have spent with them diverted to the government direct through purchase at the Philatelic Agency where it serves to reduce the Post Office deficit while it reduces the dealers' business income by a like amount. "Anyway," the collector says, "I can always use them for postage", and he probably will, because the number of recent stamps that have been salted away in the last five years by people who understand little of the law of demand and supply will serve to keep the price of these issues near their cost for years to come, while first this one and then that are forced by some circumstance or other to unload their holdings, to dealers whose stocks are already sufficient to meet their needs. We know of one man who has 500,000 sets of National Parks stamps laid away on margin put up by his bank. Another, who advertises to buy for speculators and offers to put up 80 per cent of the cash, has 250,000 sets of the same issue in his vault. Here, then, are just two men with three quarters of a million sets of stamps with a face value of 55 cents a set and for which the market must necessarily be limited to those who have at least 55 cents to spend on stamps if these men are to get their money back, not to mention interest on their investment. Nor does this figure take into consideration the thousands of individuals, both collectors, speculators and dealers, who have laid away a few hundred or thousand sets themselves. Nor the fact, which is painfully true, that most collectors already have the set in their collections. When you consider that these stamps already have been held for three years, and that the current bid price is only 10 per cent over the face value, you can see that this investment looks pretty sick with bank charges at six per cent a year and the "speculator's helper" charges 12 per cent for his service. The picture is bound to be gloomier in ten years more as the rising prices which make a buyers market will be lacking, owing to the fact that small holders, at least, will be constantly seeking to liquidate their holdings.

While this same picture holds true on other recent issues which have been overbought, it has not, thus far, applied to earlier stamps which were issued in relatively small quantities compared to the 10 to 100 million which represent an issue today. On one side, large scale investment in stamps is a new development. While older issues were laid away in some quantities the majority saw postal use and were destroyed. The passing of years and the inept handling of early stamps have taken their toll as well, leaving even fewer copies for the market today. On the other hand, speculators today base their expectations on past performances evidently not taken into consideration the fact that, by their own increased activity, they are minimizing their opportunities for profit. The man who invests in current and recent issues is biting off a good deal more in one chunk than his market can digest for years. This condition is unfortunate as it will have a tendency to discourage a good many people, now speculators, who might otherwise acquire the true collector's viewpoint through their association with stamps. This viewpoint is not centered particularly on the value of the stamps although it has always been a hobby that one could en-

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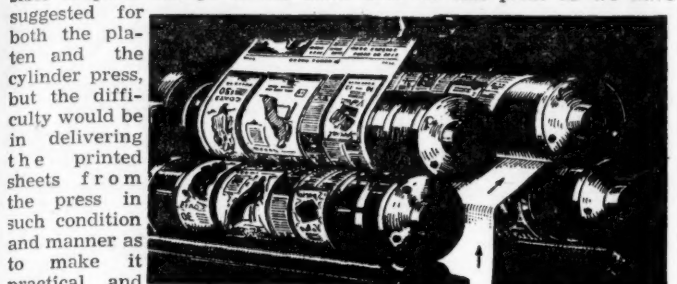
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## Various Printing Processes And Their Relation To Postage Stamp Printing

### WEB ROTARY PRESSES

While the printing press to be discussed in this article is not a press that is suitable for printing postage stamps, it would be possible to print stamps of the same kind on this press as we have suggested for both the platen and the cylinder press, but the difficulty would be in delivering the printed sheets from the press in such condition and manner as to make it practical and possible to properly perforate them. Thus we might say that this press which is known as a web rotary press could be used for printing stamps which it was intended should be issued unperforated. Even then, there would be a considerable difference in the margins on the sheets as the press delivers the printed sheets folded as your daily newspaper comes and to trim them down to smaller sheets would create a problem which it would be impossible to overcome without allowing for a considerable variation in the sheet margins.



Web Rotary presses are primarily for newspapers and big editions of the cheaper circulars and pamphlets. In the larger cities collectors can see these presses in operation at many of the newspaper offices and even in smaller towns this is possible in some instances for here in Sidney, the local newspaper, the Sidney Daily News prints from a web rotary press. On this same press is printed Linn's Weekly Stamp News and the entire edition of over 14,000 copies now being printed weekly, runs through the press in less than one hour.

Presses of this type print from huge rolls of paper which are threaded through the presses going between various sets of cylinders for the printing impressions and coming out at the other end of the press, folded to a small size for easy handling.

Presses of this type are built in units and are known by the number of units as quadruple, sextuple etc. The printing on these presses is all done from curved plates. Some types of presses, especially those on larger papers use cylindrical curved plates just one half the size of the cylinder on which they are placed so that two such plates fit around and cover the entire cylinder. On other types of presses there is a smaller cylinder and a single curved plate slides over the entire cylinder.

Plates on these presses may be electrotype plates but most of them are stereotype plates. Stereotype plates are made by placing the entire flat form or page of the paper under a press which has a powerful roller on it. On top of the form is laid a pulp paper mat, the roller is moved over the mat which lies on the form and impresses the type and cuts in the form into the mat.

This mat is then placed in a casting box which is curved to the size and shape of the curved plate to be made and hot metal is poured into the box. This metal sets and cools and the finished curved plate is then removed from the box, cleaned up by removing any burrs or surplus metal from edges and is ready for the press.

In printing, one cylinder holding the plates revolves in contact with another cylinder which acts as the platen and between the two cylinders, the sheet of paper from the roll passes through the press and the printed impression is made on one side of the sheet. As the sheet moves on through the press the other side is printed in a like manner and the paper goes into the folding mechanism of the press and comes out folded into a smaller size, half the size of an ordinary newspaper page.

The illustration will give you some idea of the intricate mechanism of this press which is not a practical machine for printing postage stamps.

### SCOTCH TAPE ON STAMPS

The censoring of mail has brought a new problem to stamp collectors and that is the removal of scotch tape from the face of stamp. Much of this tape is used by the censors to reseal letters and they too often smear it right across the face of choice stamps. The problem therefore is how to remove this tape. Already we have had letters from several different readers with this question.

If any of our readers have found a method for removing this scotch tape from stamps, please pass along the information for the boys. We shall be glad to print it.

## AIR MAIL COVERS

JAMUEL S. GOLDSTICKER, JR. (Dept. Ed.)  
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A letter from the Public Relations Director of Continental Air Lines states that service over AM-60 (Denver-Salina-Topeka-Kansas City) will begin sometime early in February. The exact date is as yet unknown, pending negotiations between Continental and the Army officials. Since the Postoffice Dept. will not sponsor first flights cachet for this route, Second Assistant Postmaster-General Purdum has granted permission to Continental Airlines to prepare and sponsor their own unofficial cachet for use on first flight covers.

The cachet which will be used pictures a Pony Express rider galloping across the plains. In the background is one of Continental's new 14-passenger Lockheed planes which will be used over the new route. The cachet will carry the wording "FIRST FLIGHT ROUTE AM-60." These cachets will be applied to covers by the Postmasters of the respective cities, in the same manner that official cachets are applied.

Continental has announced that it will have a limited supply of first flight covers printed in advance for distribution to philatelists. Collectors may secure these at a cost of five cents (5c) each by writing to CONTINENTAL AIR LINES, INC., MUNICIPAL AIR TERMINAL DENVER (7), COLORADO.

Service on the extension of AM-29 (from Hobbs to San Antonio) is expected to begin sometime during March. Continental Airlines may also issue first flight cachets for this route. More details later.

Effective January 1, 1944, Columbia, South Carolina was added to Eastern Airlines Atlantic Coast Route AM-6. There were no first flight cachets or other markings applied to covers carried on the inaugural flights, but the majority of the covers were neatly cancelled and nicely handled. Covers were cancelled as follows:

Columbia, S. C. (South)—12-M.  
Columbia, S. C. (North)—12-M.  
Jacksonville, Fla. (North to Columbia)—10:30 a. m. hand cancel.  
Savannah, Georgia (North to Columbia)—11-a. m.  
Raleigh, N. Car. (South to Columbia)—11:30 a. m.  
Washington, D. C. (South to Columbia)—9:30 a. m., hand cancel.

General Delivery backstamps were applied to covers addressed c/o Gen. Del. at the respective cities as follows:

Columbia, S. C. (from South)—"Columbia, S. C. Gen. Del. Jan. 1, 1944" applied twice.  
Columbia, S. C. (from North)—"Columbia, S. C. Gen. Del. Jan. 1, 1944". Also "Columbia, S. C. Gen. Del. Jan. 3, 1944" applied to the same covers.  
Jacksonville, Fla. (from Columbia)—"Jacksonville, Fla. Gen. Del. January 3, 1944 Clerk 4" (some have the year as 1943).

Savannah, Georgia (from Columbia)—"Savannah, Ga. Jan. 1, 1944 Rec'd 4:30 p. m."  
Washington, D. C. (from Columbia)—"Washington, D. C., General Delivery Jan. 3, 1944".  
Raleigh, North Carolina (from Columbia)—"Raleigh, N. C. Gen. Del. January 1, 1944". Also, a second hand-cancel "Raleigh, N. Car. Jan. 1, 1944 Rec'd 5:30 p. m."

Note—In the above, as well as in all future listings of backstamps, an asterisk (\*) indicates that the backstamp was a standard General Delivery backstamp, and unless some other color is

mentioned, it is assumed to be in magenta ink.

There were 163 collectors covers dispatched on the first flight northbound and 117 covers carried on the first southbound flight.

Also on January 1, 1944, Raleigh, North Carolina, was added to Eastern Air Lines New York-Texas route AM-5. Durham, North Carolina, is also served through the Raleigh Airport, but covers from this point will probably not be listed in the official AAMS cover catalogue. As with Columbia, there were no cachets or any other special markings applied to any covers.

Covers are cancelled as follows:

Raleigh (North)—3-PM.  
Raleigh (South)—10-AM (hand cancel). Also cancelled a second time by machine at 11:30-AM.  
Durham (North)—3-PM.  
Durham (South)—10-AM.  
Washington, D. C. (into Raleigh-Durham)—8-AM.  
Washington Airport Sta. (into Raleigh-Durham) 10-AM.  
Charlotte, N. Car. (north to Raleigh-Durham) 1:30-PM.

Atlanta, Ga. Airmail Field RPO (into Raleigh) 11-AM. In addition, the Atlanta Airmail Field placed a three-line rubber stamp in magenta on the back of the covers reading "AIRMAIL FIELD, ATLANTA GA. TR2\* JAN. 1 1944\* F. E. HAYES."

Richmond, Va. (into Raleigh) No direct service via AM-5. At the last minute, Richmond, Va., was removed from the schedules serving Raleigh. Therefore, all covers carried into Raleigh from the north must originate in Washington, Baltimore, or New York. Thoughtfully, the Richmond Postmaster returned all covers before the flight took place, with a note saying there would be no such direct service.

General Delivery backstamps were applied thus:

Durham, N. Car. (from both north and south) "Durham, N. Car. Gen. Del. Jan. 1, 1944".  
Raleigh, N. Car. (from north and south) "Raleigh, N. Car. Gen. Del. Jan. 1, 1944".  
Raleigh, N. Car. (from north-additional b/s "Raleigh, N. Car. Rec'd Jan. 1, 1944. 3:00 PM."  
Raleigh, N. Car. (from south-additional b/s) "Raleigh, N. Car. Rec'd Jan. 1, 1944. 5:30 p. m."

The following backstamps are all those received from Raleigh and Durham:

Washington, D. C. "Jan. 3, General Delivery, Washington, D. C."

Atlanta, Georgia "Atlanta, Ga. General Delivery Jan. 22".

Charlotte, N. Car. "Jan. 1, 1944 2-30PM Charlotte, N. Car." This is the regular machine postmark, applied to the back of the covers.

Richmond, Virginia, "Richmond, Va. Jan. 3, 1944 General Delivery". Also, a second backstamp "Richmond, Virginia, Rec'd Supt. of Mails, Jan. 1, 1944. 6-PM" applied in purple.

Since many postoffices have their general delivery windows closed on Sundays and Holidays, this accounts for some of the cities backstamping their covers on January 3rd.

There were 146 collectors first flight covers flown north from Raleigh and 143 flown south. As yet, there are no figures available from Durham, but believe the quantity is very small.

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## READER BLASTS SALE OF REPRINTS

Several days ago we had a letter from a reader who jumped all over us for carrying an advertisement offering reprints of the first stamps of Samoa. To his way of thinking we should not carry such advertising and he asked us to print an article and blast the sale of reprints and help stop all such practices.



Geo. W. Linn

Well, in the first place, if one wants to write such an article they must first have the same feeling about reprints as the writer of the letter holds and since we have no such feeling about reprints we are not the proper person to write such an article. Your editor has a reputation for stating his opinion on most any stamp subject and he is always ready to support his belief. In the past we have advocated many things which we believe would be advantageous to stamp collecting, not the least of which has been the washing of gum from unused stamps for better preservation. If we could live long enough we believe we would eventually see this plan adopted to the extent that there would be no difference in recognized value of an early classic stamp with or without gum. Our own preference would call for centering in preference to gum.

But getting back to reprints. Reprints have been with us for many years. Perhaps 99% of all Heligoland stamps in stamp collectors' albums are reprints. This is true of certain other stamps including the Samoa which this collector complained about.

We hold that a collector who can not afford the original stamp is perfectly within his rights to cover the space in his collection with a reprint of the stamp if available and we hold that so long as a reprint is offered as a reprint and sold as a reprint that no harm can come from such business, in most instances.

The whole subject of reprints is such a vast one and has so many angles that it is difficult and possibly a bit dangerous to discuss it briefly but since we have started we will try to finish in this column.

There are reprints which are made by the governments which originally issued the stamps. We hold these to be the most proper and most desirable reprints. Would you shun the so called "Special Printings" of many United States stamps issued and sold at the Philadelphia Centennial in 1876? These are merely reprints made by the United States Government which originally issued the stamps. They are prized and highly valued pieces and in one instance, the 5c and 10c 1847 stamps of these special printings are actually counterfeits made by the Government, since the original plates were no longer in existence.

Years ago the Scott catalogue referred to these as reprints, and today the Specialized catalogue calls them "Reproductions". Thus we have counterfeits of our first two United States stamps and reprints of many of the others. We hold that reprints made by the government which issued the stamps are the most preferred kind of reprints and because of the limited number of these U. S. reprints their value has become great. All of these reprints however, except the 1847 reproductions, were good for postage which is not true of most reprints.

In the early issues one can point out numerous reprints some of which were made by the issuing government and others by private individuals who acquired the plates. Those made by the issuing governments were sometimes good for postage and in other instances not good for postage. In all instances, those made by private parties were not good for postage.

Perhaps the greatest example is the Seebeck issue with which we are all familiar. The printer of these stamps contracted with the five different countries for which the stamps were made and agreed to issue them a new set each year. At the end of the year he was to have the remainders. No one will ever know how large a stock of remainders he may have held in his own plant and how many more he may have made on identical paper so that the only true way to collect these issues would be legitimately used copies. As the original stocks were depleted, new printings on heavier paper were made, but these are called reprints. Perhaps thousands of sets on identical paper with the issued stamps were also made after these stamps were out of issue and such are reprints, but not so classed as it is not possible to separate them from the stamps that were actually issued to the different countries.

Most collections contain these questionable stamps but their inclusion in any collection is usually expected and passed up by knowing collectors without any further comment.

In recent years there has been much rumor of reprints of some of the more popular stamps. The Goya Nude stamps of Spain were unquestionably reprinted by the millions, likewise many other popular issues.

After all, what can be done about it unless the stamp dealers themselves, through their organization will make a continued and systematic drive against such items and we never expect to see the stamp dealers do this.

More dangerous than the reprints however are the innumerable counterfeits that have appeared in recent years. We have seen many of the lower value German Colonial ship type stamps in actual counterfeits, and canceled. This before the war, as well as whole sets of Roumanian Charity issues.

There is one way that such material can be barred and one way only and that is for the stamp dealers of the world to refuse to buy and sell any packet which contains any counterfeit or questionable issue. So long as the stamp dealers will accept and sell such material, there is little that the collector can do unless he wishes to form a personal black list and quit buying from any dealer who offers such material and we believe in time that this method if thoroughly followed would only result in the collector finding no other dealers from which he could buy as all dealers sell 1000 variety packets and this material is made to load such packets. Fortunately, however the number and variety is not great and the collector who wishes to become informed can usually do so if he will study his subject.

And as a parting thought for our subscriber, what about the Farleys. These are all reprints, and were made to order for sale to collectors. Do you have them in your stamp collection?

## NEW ZEALAND NEWS

Mr. J. G. Young, Director-General of the New Zealand Post Office Department announces that the 2 shilling stamps of the current pictorial series are now being printed from Plate number 3.

Sheets of the Pictorial issue from Plates 5, 5A and 5B of the 2d pictorial series have been overprinted Official.

The 1½d stamp of the centennial series will be withdrawn from sale on January 31, 1944 and replaced with the one half red stamp of the King George VI series on February 1st.

The recent Triangular Health stamps are to be kept on sale through February 29th unless the stock is exhausted prior to that date.

## LITHUANIAN PRESIDENT BURNED TO DEATH

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mel, using the customary scheme of creating disturbances. Violence and murder resulted, and seven Nazis were arrested. After trial they were sentenced to death. Germany threatened, Lithuania, but Smetona stood his ground, upholding the law. When the justice of Lithuania's case had been established he commuted the death sentences to imprisonment.

After obtaining his visa, Smetona left Germany and went to Portugal and thence to Brazil before reaching the United States. He arrived in New York in March 1941. He stayed at the Lithuanian Legation in Washington for a time and then went to Chicago. Later he stayed for five months at Tabor Farm, a summer resort near St. Joseph, Mich. Then he returned to Chicago for a short time. He came to Cleveland in April, 1942, and had lived here since.

Smetona was born August 10, 1874, of peasant parents at Uzuolenis, in the District of Ukmerge. Early in life he espoused the cause of Lithuanian nationalism. As a college student at Mitau, now Jelgava in Latvia, his irrepressible nationalism caused him to be expelled.

He went to St. Petersburg, now Leningrad, to study law, but again his Lithuanian patriotism caused trouble and he not only was expelled but was incarcerated. When he was released he went to Vilna, where he was employed in a bank and afterwards became editor of a small Lithuanian periodical.

When Dr. Jonas Bassanavicius organized the national diet of Vilna, at which autonomy was demanded, Smetona became a member of the directorate.

Then came World War I, with Lithuania hemmed in by hostile neighbors. Russia abandoned all claims to Lithuania in 1918, and the Lithuanian council of state promulgated a provisional government. Three statesmen—one of them Smetona—were vested with supreme power, and the first independent administration was formed in January 1919.

Smetona, who had been head of the state council, was elected provisional president. He retained that office until 1922, when the great powers recognized the republic and new elections were held. In 1926 he was re-elected president after Dr. Grinius had resigned. In 1930 he was again re-elected.

### Successor in Doubt

The manner in which his successor will be chosen remains in doubt. From an authoritative source in Washington it was learned that under Lithuania's Constitution the prime minister would succeed in case of death of the president. However, the whereabouts of the last prime minister, A. Merkis, are not known. No

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**The Farley Reissues**

When James A. Farley became Postmaster General he adopted a system of giving out unfinished sheets of stamps to President Roosevelt and certain Cabinet members and eventually to friends, which finally lead to disaster both for Mr. Farley and for stamp collectors in general.

A complete sheet of four hundred stamps of the Mother's Day issue was given a friend who evidently offered the sheet for sale and when it was appraised at approximately \$20,000.00 the stamp collectors, stamp clubs and newspapers of the country began to take notice and ere long such a furore was created that it finally lead to an announcement on February 12, 1935, that all of the sheets which Mr. Farley had given out as favors would be issued in similar form to collectors through the Philatelic Agency in Washington.

The original announcement stated that the sheets would be placed on sale March 15, and that the sale would be continued for a definite period of time, thus indicating that the supply would be sufficient to meet any immediate demand.

In this manner, no definite number of stamps were promised, the output being such as to supply a normal demand.

The following stamps were therefore issued for sale to collectors, in partially finished form:

National Parks Stamps, 1c to 10c values inclusive, imperforate, sheet of 200 stamps; 3c Mother's Day, flat plate print, imperforate, in sheets of 200 stamps; 3c Wisconsin, imperforate, in sheets of 200 stamps; 3c Byrd, perforated, in sheets of 200 stamps; 3c Newburgh, perforated, in sheets of 400 stamps; 16c Airmail Special Delivery, imperforate, in sheets of 200 stamps. Also Souvenir sheets of the 1c and 3c Parks stamps in original sheets of 20 of the miniature sheets of 6 stamps; the 1c and 3c Chicago Souvenir Sheets in original sheets of 9 of the small miniature sheets of 25 stamps; the 3c Byrd Souvenir sheets in original sheets of the small miniature sheets of 6 stamps. These various sheets were all unguessed.

The original order for these reissued sheets was for 7,500 sheets of the Newburgh stamps; 10,000 full sheets of each of the 1c to 10c Parks Stamps, the Mother's Day, Wisconsin, Byrd Perforated Stamp and the 16c Airmail Special Delivery. Of the Souvenir Sheets, there were to be printed 5,000 large sheets of each of the different varieties. Total face value of the entire issue was \$1,781,500.00.

Plat numbers for the reissued sheets are as follows:

Newburgh 3c	21118, 21119
C. of P. panes 1c	21145, 21159
C. of P. panes 3c	21146, 21160
Byrd perforated 3c	21167, 21168, 21169, 21170
Byrd panes	21184
Mother's (flat) 3c	21202, 21203, 21204, 21205
Wisconsin 3c	21238, 21239, 21240, 21241

National Parks:

1c	21246, 21247, 21248, 21249
2c	21254, 21255, 21256, 21257
3c	21262, 21263, 21264, 21265
4c	21328, 21329, 21330, 21331
5c	21278, 21279, 21280, 21281
6c	21320, 21321, 21322, 21323
7c	21333, 21334, 21335, 21336
8c	21324, 21325, 21326, 21327
9c	21316, 21317, 21318, 21319
10c	21337, 21339, 21340, 21342

Omaha pane 21341

Atlantic City pane 21303

16c Airmail 21312, 21313, 21314, 21315

All of these sheets were to be offered for sale only through the Philatelic Agency in either full sheets or in blocks of four. In cutting the imperforate sheets into blocks of four the margins and plate numbers were trimmed off and the sheets were cut without regard to plate lines, so that in order to obtain the scarce pieces from any sheet it was necessary to purchase full sheets from the Agency or to buy the wanted pieces from dealers who offered same.

After these stamps had been on sale for some weeks at the Philatelic Agency, the announcement was made that the last day of sale would be June 15th. This announcement immediately set a limit to the number available and orders poured in thick and fast.

Some time after June 15th, the Agency announced final figures for total sale of the reissued stamps and it is to be noted from the figures given herewith that in some instances, additional printing or supplies of these stamps were furnished to the Agency, while in other cases the original order was sufficient to meet the demand of collectors.

Herewith are figures showing the original quantity ordered, the quantity sold and the total face value of the stamps sold.

	Ordered	Sold	Face Value
Newburgh	3,000,000	3,253,484	\$ 97,804.52
Byrd perforated	2,000,000	2,016,280	60,497.40
Mother's Day	2,000,000	2,361,392	70,841.76
Wisconsin	2,000,000	2,268,324	68,049.72
Air Mail	2,000,000	1,351,024	216,163.83
1c Parks	2,000,000	3,186,256	31,862.56
2c Parks	2,000,000	2,717,832	54,358.64
3c Parks	2,000,000	2,142,200	64,267.80
4c Parks	2,000,000	1,798,532	71,941.28
5c Parks	2,000,000	1,701,556	85,077.80
6c Parks	2,000,000	1,626,300	97,578.00
7c Parks	2,000,000	1,661,644	116,315.08
8c Parks	2,000,000	1,618,185	129,454.72
9c Parks	2,000,000	1,604,616	144,415.44
10c Parks	2,000,000	1,624,164	162,416.40
1c C. of P. Souvenir	1,125,000	1,467,800	24,678.00
3c C. of P. Souvenir	1,125,000	2,147,850	64,435.50
3c Byrd Souvenir	750,000	1,603,200	48,096.00
1c Park Souvenir	600,000	1,679,760	16,797.60
3c Park Souvenir	600,000	1,228,520	38,865.60
Totals	35,200,000	39,058,919	1,663,717.66

The above figures include the total sales at the Agency. Agency sales were made either in blocks of four or in full sheets.

A total of 184,347 full sheets were sold for \$1,467,972.70. A total of 936,262 blocks were sold for \$195,744.96.

It will be noted that the original order called for 35,200,000 stamps in all and that the sale was 39,058,919 stamps. Total face value of the original order was \$1,781,500 and the total face value of the entire sale of these stamps was \$1,663,717.66. It will thus be seen that the sale was heaviest in lower valued stamps which run the quantity sold higher than the original estimate, while the face value came somewhat below the original estimate.

First day covers of the Farley Reissues were officially from Washington, D. C., only, on March 15, 1935.

**IS STAMP COLLECTING BIG BUSINESS**

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joy with the feeling that there was a salvage value. A value missing, say, in the collecting of theatre stubs or empty beer bottles. Rather it is centered on the romance and history surrounding the events and personages depicted, the relaxation and change to be gained from their study, and the vicarious visiting of faraway places which they afford to many, bound to their homes by circumstance. To be such a stamp collector is to be one of those millions to whom the investment angle is a problem as far away as who pays the National debt, and he will continue to collect in his own way, even when the speculator is losing his money and consigning all stamps and collectors to the nether regions.

It is also these quiet collectors who will keep stamps and stamp dealers in the big business class. For it is the dealers who are needed to supply them in the regular way—when, as and if they decide to buy. Their business has and will continue to show a steady increase made all the more possible by the rabidly speculating investor who buys the stamps the dealer will need 10 or 20 years from now and who, in the meantime and then, will be holding the bag while the dealer uses his money to better advantage in building up his business. Who can blame him if he encourages the speculator to put a few hundred or thousand in this or that issue? He who thinks twice will limit his stamp activities to the fun to be had from building up an interesting collection and leaving the "investing" to others.

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## PAGES FOR STAMPS OF 1943

I have had several inquiries recently about pages for 1943 stamps and thought best to make this announcement now to avoid further inquiry. These pages are now in the hands of the printer. Just how soon we will get them we do not know but those who wish to place their order now for delivery when ready may do so. Others may wait till we have the pages from the printer when we will again offer them and fill orders immediately.

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—postage, 2 values printed in red and blue, 35p and 1.25a respectively.

—N. Y. Sun

**ALGERIA**—Semi-postals, a set of



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CORREO AEREO

Picturing a cover of some of the recent Venezuela issues, none of which were large enough to supply dealer demand on day of sale. So long as collectors clamor for such things, obliging governments will issue them. For further details see Postage Stamp Parade column.

to help feed needy infants. Values and colors are:  
50 plus 4F50—dull violet rose.  
1F50 plus 8F50—light green.  
3F plus 12Fr.—ultramarine.  
5F plus 15Fr.—brown.

**ANGOLA**—Provisional postage, 25c on 85c emerald, and 50c on 1.20a blue, both of the Ceres type of 1932.

**BRAZIL**—Postage variety, the 40c Amara commemorative is reported with a different watermark, of which there are only 1000. (Scott's 613a).

—Stolow

**INDIA**—(COCHIN) Nine surcharged stamps with portrait of the new Rajah have been issued.

Values are:  
1a 9p on the 1a 8p Official  
3 pies on the 4 pies.  
3 pies on the 4 pies Official.  
9p on the 1a overprinted An-chel.  
9p on the 6p Official.  
1a 3p on the 1a Official.  
3p on the 4p green.  
1a 3p on the 1a 8p carmine, of the old Rajah type with "An-chel" overprint.  
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**INDIA**—(TRAVANCORE) provisional postage, three new surcharged values are:

2 cash on 1½ chuckrams, red.  
4 cash on ¾ chuckram, brown.  
8 cash on 6 cash, red.

—India Stamp Journal  
**LEBANON**—Three new surcharges were issued about November 20th. It is stated that the 2p was on sale for only 5 days. Values are 2p on 4p, 6p on 7p, and 10p on 12½p.

—N. Y. Sun

**SWITZERLAND**—1943 Pro-Juventute set. The annual set was issued on December 1st, and they are very similar in size and presentation to issues of the past years. There are four

stamps to the set, but only one bears the familiar portrait. The other three all devoted to Swiss Flora. Values, colors and designs are:

5Rp plus 5Rp green—Portrait of Emanuel V. Fellenberg.  
10Rp plus 5Rp olive-gray and yellow—Cypripedium Calceolus, er type).  
20Rp plus 5Rp red-rose and yellow—Cypripedium Calceolus.  
30Rp plus 10Rp dark blue, light blue, and black—Gentiana Clusii et Kochiana.

—Stolow

**VENEZUELA**—Postage and Air mails were overprinted on December 22nd to revalidate many stamps that had been withdrawn. On cover which is illustrated are specimens of the various surcharges. Due to large demand some of the values were sold out on the first day of issue, and many dealers orders were not completed. Stamps and surcharges are:

Ordinary stamps surcharged "Habilitado-Vale Bs. O.20 (3 line overprint) were: Scott's 314 (4000); No. 320 (2000); No. 343 and 344 (6000 each). Ordinary stamps, surcharged "Resallado 1943" (2 line overprint) were: Scott's 311 (4000) 312, 315 and 316 (8000 each). Air Mails surcharged "Resallado 1943" (2 line overprint) were: C48, C50-57, C60, C64-5 (8000 each); C59-60 (7000 each); C61 (2500); C63 (5000). Some of these stamps were restricted when placed on sale. Various values had to be purchased in complete sets.

—F. Jacobi

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### New Secretary

Effective January 17, 1944, Mr. John F. Sweet (PCEC 52), 38 Clark Lane, Waltham, Mass., will be the Secretary of the Patriotic Cover Exchange Club.

It has become necessary for me to resign this position. In many ways I regret this as I have contacted many new friends and collectors. The work as secretary is interesting—and it requires a lot of work.

Mr. Linn and I agree that Mr. Sweet is the person for this position as he is well-known in local stamp circles and is a member of several national philatelic organizations. He has taken an active part in PCEC and is probably known to most of you members. His interests lie in practically all of the items listed in the code. We know that Mr. Sweet will be efficient and also cooperative.

May I ask that you also be cooperative with him in the same manner as you have been with

me. At all times use your PCEC number. This is probably the greatest help to your secretary, Wesley Smith.

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